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FOR GARRISON FROM MATLOCK

E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. WITH REGARD TO MILLICENT FENWICK'S INQUIRY
(STATE 49632): BRAILOVSKY ASKED RAY SMITH SOME TIME AGO
TO TRANSMIT PERSONAL MATERIALS (AS RAY RECALLS, THEY WERE
SCIENTIFIC PAPERS). RAY DECLINED AND TOLD BRAILOVSKY
EMBASSY POLICY - I.E., EMBASSY DOES NOT TRANSMIT PERSONAL
MATERIALS AND MAKES NO COMMITMENTS OR TRANSMISSION OF
SAMIZDAT-TYPE MATERIALS, BUT DOES ACCEPT MATERIAL
CONSIDERED OFFICIAL, SUCH AS LETTERS TO MEMBERS OF USG
AND CONGRESS. RAY HAS HEARD NOTHING MORE FROM HIM ON THE
SUBJECT: OUR GUESS IS THAT BRAILOVSKY WANTS TO USE THE
CONGRESSIONAL ROUTE TO TRANSMIT PERSONAL MATERIALS.

2. SOVIETS AT MINISTRY OF HEALTH HAVE ASKED US
INFORMALLY AND IN A LOW KEY FASHION ABOUT SECRETARY
CALIFANO'S PLANS TO VISIT THE USSR. SOVIETS NOTE THAT
PETROVSKIY'S CALENDAR IS BEGINNING TO FILL UP INTO
THE SUMMER OF 1978. WE UNDERSTAND THAT AT LAST HEALTH
JCM SOVIETS EXTENDED AN INVITATION FOR SECRETARY CALIFANO
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TO VISIT THE USSR DURING 1978. WE WOULD APPRECIATE
LEARNING THE STATUS OF THIS PROPOSED VISIT.

3. ALONG WITH BRITISH, AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND
EMBASSIES, WE HAVE NOTHING TO REPORT OF VISIT BY CHIEF
OF FUNAFUTI ISLAND TO MOSCOW. CHECK OF SOVIET PRESS HAS
ALSO DRAWN A BLANK. WE WILL CONTINUE OUR INQUIRIES AND

LET YOU KNOW IF WE DO LOCATE SOME INFORMATION ON THIS.
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